



Salus University is the first institution in the country to offer four master's degree programs and certificates in the field of Blindness and Low Vision Studies. These programs combine distance learning education, on-campus residencies, and extensive fieldwork experiences.

BLINDNESS AND LOW VISION STUDIES

Master's degrees and certificates are available in the following areas:

- Low Vision Rehabilitation
- Orientation and Mobility
- Education of Children and Youth with Visual Impairments
- Vision Rehabilitation Therapy

All applicants must have completed their undergraduate studies and must hold an undergraduate or graduate degree from an accredited college or university in order to be admitted to a program in the Salus University Department of Blindness and Low Vision Studies.

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

Transcripts: All applicants are responsible for having official transcripts for every college or university attended sent directly to the Salus University Office of Admissions, regardless of whether a degree has been received from that particular institution or not. These official transcripts for all undergraduate and graduate work should be mailed directly to Salus University, not issued to the student.

Statement of Purpose (minimum 250 words): Applicants must submit a statement explaining their purpose and motivation in undertaking graduate studies in the selected program.

APPLICATION PROCESS

Applications for the Department of Blindness and Low Vision Studies are accepted each semester with the following deadlines:

- Fall Semester - June 30
- Spring Semester - October 31
- Summer Semester - March 15

National Test Scores: Applicants who do not have a graduate degree must have achieved acceptable levels of performance on a national test, such as Miller Analogies Test (MAT), Graduate Record Examination (GRE), or Optometry Admission Test (OAT). The applicant may choose the test based upon his/her professional preparation and program interest. Scores need to be sent directly to the Salus University Office of Admissions. Test scores must be no more than seven years old. When having your scores sent, please use the following institutional codes:

- **MAT:** Please use the institution code "2556" to have your scores sent directly to Salus University.
- **GRE:** Please use institution code is "2645" to have your scores sent directly to Salus University.

Job Résumé/Curriculum Vitae: All applicants must submit an educational and job resumé/curriculum vitae. This should include the applicant's education, work experience, publications, and honors or achievements to date.

Essays: Applicants must submit an essay for one of the options provided in the application.

Application Fee: A non-refundable fee of \$100 made payable to Salus University.

Background Clearances: Applicants to Blindness and Low Vision Studies programs must submit copies of current Child Abuse History, State Police and FBI clearances at the time of matriculation to the program. The clearance requirements process differs by state; please investigate the process for your state of residence.

Letters of Reference: Applications must include three letters of reference highlighting academic and professional skills and addressing applicant qualities in relation to working in the field of Blindness and Low Vision education and rehabilitation.

For more detailed information regarding the admissions process, please visit salus.edu/BLVS

Gainful Employment data for graduates of certificate programs can be found at salus.edu/gainful-employment

FOR MORE INFORMATION

Salus University Office of Admissions welcomes inquiries by prospective students. For more information, contact **215.780.1301** or email admissions@salus.edu.

